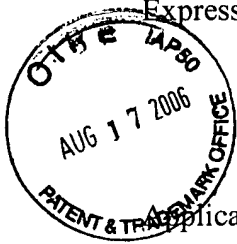


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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests continued examination of this application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 by filing a submission (this Amendment and accompanying Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement) and the required fee set forth in § 1.17(e). Prosecution is closed as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 because the last office action was a Final Office Action mailed February 17, 2006.

Applicant believes that this RCE is timely filed because a petition for a three-month extension of time is being concurrently filed herewith. The Director is authorized to charge any fees not covered to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed on February 17, 2006, Applicant offers the following amendments and remarks. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the present amendments and reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following remarks. Applicant also requests consideration of the accompanying Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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